

Redefining Advocacy: The Evolving and Expanding Role of the Family Law ADR Practitioner

The Family Law Section of the State Bar of California,

Standing Committee on Alternate Dispute Resolution, Southern California

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Conference Agenda:

- 1. **Continental Breakfast & Registration**: (8:30am-8:55am)
- 2. **Welcome**: Larry Sullivan, Assistant Director Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution (8:55am-9:00am)
- 3. **Introduction of Keynote Speaker**: Wendy R. Landes, Esq. (9:00am-9:05am)
- 4. **Keynote Speaker**: Judge Robert A. Schnider (9:05am-9:15am)
- 5. **Historical Perspective on "Redefining Advocacy"**: Wendy R. Landes, Esq. (9:15am-9:25am)
- 6. **Mediation: Beyond Problem Solving:** Fern Topas Salka, Esq. (9:25am-9:55am)

Break (9:55am-10:00am)

- 7. Ethical Issues Facing the New Advocate (10:00am-11:30am)
 - a. Panel Members: Howard B. Miller, Esq., Robert Kehr, Esq., J. Patsy Ostroy, Esq.
- 8. **Diagnosing the ADR Process to Fit the Client** (11:30am-12:00pm)
 - a. Judith C. Nesburn, Esq., Frederick J. Glassman, Esq.
- 9. <u>Lunch Program</u>: "Non-Defensive Communication:" Sharon Ellison (12:00pm-1:15pm)
- 10. **Therapeutic Techniques for the Attorney** (1:15pm-2:15pm)
 - a. Mary Lund, Ph.D., David Kuroda, LCSW, Tara Fass, LMFT,
- 11. **Technology for the Neutral** (2:45pm-3:15pm)
 - a. Bonnie H. Yaeger, Esq., David J. Semus, CPA, Warren R. Sacks, CPA
- 12. Insurance Updates: Michelle Katz, Esq., Linda McSweyn, Esq. (2:15pm-2:45pm)
- 13. Looking Into the Future: Ronald M. Supancic, Esq. (3:15pm-3:30pm)